

Spokes Around The Hub

Bert Schoenhals Dead—Bert Schoenhals, a highly respected resident of St. Johns for the past several years died Monday night, at the age of 44 years. The funeral was held from the home on Thursday.

Bonding Issue To Be Voted On—On Friday, October 27, a special school meeting will be held in St. Johns for the purpose of voting upon the question of bonding the school district for an amount sufficient to purchase the site for a new high school and to construct and equip it. The total sum needed will be not far from \$225,000.00.

May Start Coal Mine—There is a possibility that a coal mine may be started in the near future in Midland Co., on the S. Vlier farm, a half mile from the Bay City road according to a report confirmed by Robt. Randall, who with his engineers and other officials of the Consolidated Coal Co. of Saginaw, was in Midland Tuesday looking over the ground. Mr. Randall intimated that the coal company is planning on going ahead although no definite information was given out.

Loses Barn By Fire—Clint Skym, near Midland, lost his barn and other buildings except the house by fire last week. The cause was apparently an overheated straw stack. The loss includes a fine team and other stock, a large quantity of oats and rye, 12 acres of beans besides many other things. The insurance covered only the live stock.

New Postmaster—S. C. Kirkbride, the new postmaster at Clare began his duties at that place last week.

Museum and Old Home Presented to City—The Owosso Museum on W. Main street was formally opened on Monday afternoon, Oct. 9 by the presentation to the city by the D. A. R. of Owosso, the former home of Judge Elias Comstock. The first church organization of Owosso met there. The gift was accepted by Mayor Wright.

Escaped Lads Recaptured—Two sixteen year old lads who had escaped from the Reform School at Lansing, were caught by Deputy Sheriff Richmond and Bloomer last week in the west part of St. Johns and returned to the authorities at Lansing. The boys attempted to escape by running across the fields but were fired upon and stopped by the Deputies.

ITHACA

Plans are being made for the annual Red Cross roll call by Mrs. F. M. Harrington who has been appointed county chairman to take the place of Rev. L. L. Dewey. In Ithaca Mrs. Mary Nelson has been appointed general chairman and Mrs. Alex McArthur, chairman of publicity. Mrs. Harrington expects to have all arrangements completed for the opening of the drive, Armistice day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stroupe of Grand Rapids were entertained at the Edward D. Hamilton home. Their daughter, Mrs. C. W. Hamilton, of Tampico, Mexico, returned home with them.

Miss Grace Valance, 17 years old, died of heart disease after a long illness. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Valance and was a member of the class of '22 of the Ithaca high school. One sister, Helen, and the parents survive. Funeral services were held Sunday at the residence in Fulton township.

Mrs. C. J. Walters is in Lansing where she will spend about ten days with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Pressley.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kircheimer left Thursday by auto for Youngstown where they will spend a few weeks visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Ashley, who recently returned from a trip to England, were recent guests of old friends in Ithaca. They also visited friends in Alma and St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. McCall and Mrs. Leland Helfer were in Detroit the past week where they attended the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star.

Fifteen neighbors and friends spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Adeline Cornwell in honor of her 77th birthday. A pleasant afternoon was spent and refreshments were served.

The Standard Bearers of the Methodist church met Tuesday evening with Miss Genevieve Hodges.

The Winton Memorial class of the Presbyterian Sunday School held their first meeting of the season at the home of Mrs. Emma Jessup. Games, music, and contests were enjoyed. Light refreshments were served.

George Whitman and daughter, Mrs. H. M. Kelley, spent the past week visiting friends in Pontiac.

Mrs. M. E. Burket and daughter, Lowell Reynolds, are spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, of Benton Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Downer and two daughters of Traverse City were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Wasson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cashmore have taken possession of the grocery store recently purchased from A. Woodhams who is removing to the farm he has bought near St. Johns.

Mrs. Hamilton Bovee is spending two weeks with relatives at Adrian.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hiffner are in Grand Rapids this week where Mr. Hiffner, who is one of the representatives from Rising Star Lodge No. 151, is attending the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. of Michigan.

VESTABURG

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Rockwell and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Guther were in Detroit the past week on business.

George Long of Pontiac was in town on business, Friday.

Mrs. F. M. Harrington, secretary of the home service section of the Gratiot County Chapter of American Red Cross, was in Alma, St. Louis and Middleton investigating claims of ex-service men recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Convis have returned from a four months' tour of the west. The trip was made in their house car. They visited places of interest in sixteen states going to the coast. The round trip covered nearly 8,000 miles. Tuesday evening a number of friends were invited to the Convis home. A Bohemian supper was served.

The north division of the Methodist Aid society met Wednesday with Mrs. Henry Dodge, the ladies working during the afternoon on articles for the annual fair which will be held Dec. 16.

BRECKENRIDGE

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lockhart gave a dinner party at their home Sunday in honor of Mr. Lockhart's sisters, Mrs. Elda Drennan and son, of Neoga, Ill., and Mrs. John Rozer and daughter of Mattoon, Ill. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart, Frank Lockhart, Mrs. Ella Drennan and son, Billy, Mrs. John Rozer and daughter, Evelyn, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Alward and daughter, Phyllis, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Schurr and son, Donald, Mr. and Mrs. John Yankie and daughters, Ruth, Alice and Esther, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen, Mrs. Smiley Prather, Mrs. Edgar Yankie and son, Junior. All enjoyed the sumptuous dinner and pleasant afternoon visit.

Last Friday the Breckenridge football squad played St. Louis at St. Louis. St. Louis was defeated by a score of 12 to 0.

About 200 people attended the reception given in the M. E. church Tuesday evening for the new pastor, Rev. H. Liddicoat, and Mrs. Liddicoat. A pleasing program of speaking and music was given in the church auditorium, after which the company adjourned to the large dining room in the basement, where light refreshments were served and a good social time enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Watson motored to Rochester Sunday to visit Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Steadman. From there they motored to Detroit Monday. Mr. Watson is to attend to business matters, and Mrs. Watson to attend the Grand Chapter of the O. E. S. as representative from the Breckenridge Chapter. Mr. Watson returned home Tuesday, Mrs. Watson remaining until later in the week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Selleck motored to Chesaning Sunday to visit Mrs. Selleck's sister.

TOWN LINE

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Gee spent Sunday with relatives at Sumner.

Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Church expect to spend the winter in Florida.

Miss Vergil Whitcraft spent Sunday with the Leonard girls.

Rey Johnson was home from Lapeer Sunday.

Frank Whitcraft and family attended the dance at Shoemaker's on Friday night. A fine time was had by all.

The Barry family entertained company Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Simmons of Alma was a caller at L. Hoyt's Sunday.

James Edwards was home from Lansing over Sunday.

Mrs. John Shoemaker was a caller in this vicinity Thursday.

Homer Griffen of Alma and Frank Whitcraft and son, Purl, were hunting near Vestaburg Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Leonard and family entertained her sister, Mrs. Belle Lake, and little daughter from Alma Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ferris and family of Forest Hill spent Sunday evening with the latter's uncle, Frank Whitcraft and family.

Bert Jones of Alma was calling on friends in this vicinity Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Failing and Mr. and Mrs. J. Osmun of Greenville were the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Failing, the first of the week.

Mrs. Mike Molston returned from her visit to Detroit, Monday.

A number from here attended the homecoming at the Church of Christ at Alma on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown and sons returned from a ten day visit with relatives in Ohio, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Henry entertained company from Hershey last week.

Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Kilpatrick called on friends at Elwell Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Meyers was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rayercraft near Ithaca, Thursday and Friday.

George Lake of Ithaca was in town on business, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Owen called on relatives at Vestaburg, Sunday.

Ervin Way of St. Louis called on D. Hamilton, Monday.

Myles Hamilton and Thel Post called on friends in Mt. Pleasant on Wednesday afternoon.

J. A. Brown was in Middleton on business, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Adams and son Jack and daughter Myrtle are visiting relatives in Ohio.

County Nurse, Miss Ackerman, was in town on business, Monday.

John Barton of Alma was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Creech Friday.

WRIGHT SCHOOL

About thirty ladies attended the shower and sewing bee for Mrs. Newcomb last Thursday, held at the home of Mrs. Stitts. Four comforts were tied off and other sewing done. A chicken dinner was served and a fine time enjoyed. Mrs. Newcomb received several useful gifts.

Clyde Webb and Wilbur Wolfe of St. Clair spent Sunday at their homes here.

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From the viewpoint of the Gratiot County Republican Committee, after a canvass of the county, it would seem that the entire Republican ticket will be elected, as well as the State, Congressional, and Senatorial ticket.

The Republicans will return Hon. Charles E. Townsend to the United States Senate, a man who is opposed to the League of Nations; who is a leader in the Senate; who will maintain a commanding position as chairman on Post-offices, post roads, and who is ranking member of the committee on interstate commerce; a man who will vote for the things that the Republicans of Michigan want. Also be it remembered, that Senator Townsend is the organizer of the deep waterways project and the pioneer in national legislation in the construction of roads.

Should the votes of Michigan Republicans send Mr. Ferris to the Senate, they would be sending a man who favors the League of Nations; a man who would be diametrically opposed to the things that the Republicans of this state want; a man who will join the southern democratic senators against the majority and who will try to obstruct the measures proposed by President Harding and advocated by the Republican party; a man who would be at the tail of committee assignments, and who could not hope, at his age in life, to ever reach the position of influence now held by Senator Townsend.

In the precincts canvassed we find the Republicans are aggressive and progressive and will stand unqualifiedly for Republican policies and at this coming November election will vote to carry them out.

GRATIOT COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

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